

R-10-19

RESOLUTION NO. _____

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK TO APPLY FOR GRANT FUNDS AVAILABLE THROUGH THE CENTRAL ARKANSAS PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT FOR COMMUNITIES WITHIN THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

WHEREAS, the City of North Little Rock has determined that the following North Little Rock community projects ("North Little Rock Communities") meet eligibility requirements necessary to apply for a grant under the General Improvement Grants of the Central Arkansas Planning & Development District ("CAPDD GIF Community Grants"):

- (1) Five Mile Creek Walking Trail Extension and ADA Access (between JFK Boulevard and North Hills Boulevard);
- (2) Indian Hills Community Center Renovations;
- (3) McGhee Park Lighting Timer System; and
- (4) Arkansas River Connection Feasibility and Marketing Study;

and

WHEREAS, the North Little Rock Communities have presented plans to

- (1) Construct a trail extension with ADA access from JFK Boulevard to North Hills Boulevard ending at the Northside YMCA parking lot;
- (2) Address several renovation issues identified by the Indian Hills Community Center;
- (3) Install a lighting timer system at McGhee Park in Lakewood; and
- (4) Conduct an Arkansas River Feasibility and Marketing Study to determine the impact of tourism along the length of the Arkansas River;

(see Exhibit "A" attached hereto); and

WHEREAS, the City Council of North Little Rock recognizes the need for these projects, concurs their importance, and supports the Communities within the City of North Little Rock in their efforts to proceed with the same; and

WHEREAS, the Communities within the City of North Little Rock have furnished proof that they have raised the following through community cash and/or in-kind donations to be applied to the projects as a local match:

- (1) City of North Little Rock – Trail Extension - \$1,500.00.
- (2) Indian Hills Community Center - \$12,000.00.
- (3) Lakewood Property Owners Association–McGhee Park - \$8,000.00.
- (4) Other Municipal Contributors–Arkansas River Feasibility - \$25,000.00.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1: That the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized to submit an application of formal request to the Central Arkansas Planning and Development District, Inc. for purposes of securing grant funds in the amount of \$30,000.00 to aid and assist the North Little Rock Communities in executing the proposed projects described hereinabove, and that the Mayor and/or City Clerk are further authorized to administer the grant funds for the herein described projects.

SECTION 2: That this Resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its passage and approval.

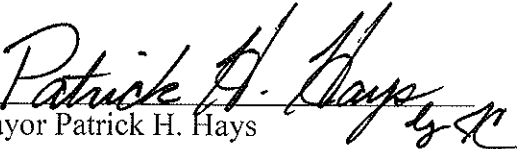
PASSED:

APPROVED:

Mayor Patrick H. Hays

SPONSOR:

ATTEST:



Mayor Patrick H. Hays

Diane Whitbey, City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:



C. Jason Carter, City Attorney

PREPARED BY THE OFFICE OF THE CITY ATTORNEY/b

FILED 11:30 A.M. _____ P.M.

BY City Atty - Carter

DATE 2-2-10

Diane Whitbey, City Clerk and Collector

North Little Rock, Arkansas

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EXHIBIT

"A"

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November 3, 2009, 2009

Rodney Larsen, Director
Central Arkansas Planning & Development District
115 Jefferson ST / PO Box 300
Lonoke, Arkansas 72086

Dear Mr. Larsen,

Thank you for the time you have taken to discuss the GIF Grants that are available to my constituents through your Agency. I have prepared an outline of the requests below. Please let me know if you need an expanded description, more information or if this submission is sufficient.

These request have my full support. Please consider this letter to be my formal request that your board approve these projects for grants.

1. Sherwood Library, 510 Sherwood Ave, Sherwood. This is a small neighborhood library used by the senior citizens and school age children in the area. It has been determined that it would greatly enhance the use of the Library if Wi-Fi were available. The contact person for this request is Mayor Virginia Hillman (501.835.6620). The cost of the equipment and installation is estimated by the cities IT staff to be.....\$1,500.00
2. Sherwood Animal Services located at 6500 North Hills Blvd is a city service, which serves the community well. It provides adoption services for unwanted pets as well as neutering and spaying. They have been providing an excellent service to the community for more than twenty years now. The grant recipient would be the city of Sherwood and the money would be used for repairs and equipment for the facilities used by the Animal Services. The contact person for this request is Mayor Virginia Hillman (501.835.6620). The request is for\$1,500.00
3. Sherwood Senior Citizens located at 2301 Thornhill Drive has membership-exceeding 900. The seniors heavily use the existing computer lab. The equipment is outdated and just worn out. The telephone system is outdated and worn out as well. I have attached a description and estimate of the new equipment that was prepared by the city's IT manager. The contact person for this request is Mayor Virginia Hillman (501.835.6620). The amount of the request is.....\$20,000.00
4. Five Mile Creek walking trail between JFK Blvd and North Hills Blvd here in North Little Rock. The trail is presently not accessible to seniors and Handicapped persons. This request would fund an extension of the trail to end

adjacent to the Northside YMCA parking lot where it would now be accessible to all groups. The grant recipient would be the City of North little Rock and they have agreed to make up the shortfall to complete the project. A letter from the city is attached. The contact person for this request is Mr. Joe Smith, North Little Rock Director of Commerce and Governmental Affairs (501.975.8880). This request is for.....\$7,500.00

5. Indian Hills Community Club is a "not for profit" whose membership is open to anyone who wishes to use the facilities. I have attached a letter from the Board of Directors for your use. You can see that they have several maintenance needs to keep the facility available for use. Luckily the city of NLR has agreed to help with expenses. The contact person for this request is Mr. Joe Smith, North Little Rock Director of Commerce and Governmental Affairs (501.975.8880). I am requesting a grant in the amount of\$7,500.00
6. McGhee Park located at 2701 Crestwood Street in North Little Rock is proposing to install a lighting timer system on all six of the ball fields. This will prevent the lights being on when not needed and occasionally being left on overnight. The system will save a substantial amount in electricity costs. The park is owned by LPOA, which is a non-profit, which allows anyone to use the programs at the facility. The contact person is Ken Sullivan (501.753.4937). The timer system is estimated to cost \$13,411.00. I am requesting a grant of at least\$5,000.00

The total request from this Grant Fund is \$43,000.00 for these six requests, which will benefit any Arkansan who chooses to use them. If you have any questions or need additional information please do not hesitate to call me.

These are very important facilities in our communities and I urge the prompt approval by your review board.

Sincerely,

Barry Hyde, Representative District 40